

Grade 7 BLM 2-1: Homelessness Inquiry Questions

Read the questions below. Select one question to research and report your findings.

1) In the story Andrew and his father do not seem to be receiving help any help from government services such as welfare. Research the accessibility and eligibility requirements for welfare in your community. What would Andrew and his father have to do to receive these services?

2) Many homeless individuals like Andrew and his father exist in our community. Research what services, shelters and/or resources there are for the homeless in our local community.

3) Andrew and his father continually talk about the importance of not being noticed. If they are, they will be removed and possibly face charges. Research the terms *loitering* and *trespassing*. Imagine that Andrew and his father are living at your local airport. Investigate the laws surrounding these terms and determine if in fact they are doing either by living in the airport. Based on your research should these individuals face legal prosecution? Based on your personal feelings, do you agree with these findings?

You may choose one of the following ways to share your findings:

- Written report
- PowerPoint or Prezi (www.prezi.com)
- Oral presentation
- Brochure
- Other (discuss with the teacher)